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## **Red Ribbon Week**

By Peyton Jack



Red Ribbon Week is is just around the corner, Oct. 27th -31st. Red ribbon week is about drug prevention and bully awareness. It started in 1995, because an undercover DEA agent was walking out of his office and a group of five guys came up pulled the agent into their car and tortured him to death. One month later police found his body shortly after a raid on a Mexican compound. One month later his wife founded the Red Ribbon Campaign.

This year the theme is Swag. On Monday the student council will be handing out bracelets to kids about kids being drug free. They will be having trivia in the morning just like last year and who ever wins that day will get a prize.

On Monday it's red rally, so wear your bully shirts and more red. Tuesday is crazy sock day, so wear your craziest socks. Wednesday is camo day, so if you have any camo at all wear it. Thursday is 70's and 80's. Last but not least is your Halloween costumes on Friday.

Many activities will be going on that week as well. Monday will be door decorating. Tuesday student council will be handing out twizzlers. On Wednesday some trays will have stickers on the bottom and the people who find one will get a prize. Thursday there will be a red balloon launch on the baseball field. The student council doesn't quite know what they're doing on Friday, so stay tuned!

#### Halloween Around The School

By David Gaylord

# October is here and Halloween is right around the corner. I went around the school and surveyed almost fifty students. I asked four questions about Halloween and these were the answers.

One of my first questions is are you going trick or treating this year? As you would expect most of them said no or maybe. A funny yet true quote from Aryanne Westfall on this question was, "of course its free candy!" If you are going to trick or treat this year, don't be embarrassed and just do it.

My second question was what would be the best town to trick or treat at? Most said local towns like Biggsville, Stronghurst, and Oquawka. There was a couple like New Boston, Galesburg or Burlington. Find the best town, be safe, and get some GOOD candy!

The third question I asked was, what is the best candy to get for Halloween? The most popular was probably starbursts and snickers. Just plain candy bars were another answer I received on the question, candy bars like three musketeers and many more.

My fourth and final question was if you were going to go trick or treating this year what would you dress up as? Most of the answers I got was from the popular game of Minecraft. I had answers from Minecraft such as Creeper and Zombie Pigman. Another answer that was given was the slender man. As with many other Halloween based answers, like witches and goblins, ghosts and ghouls, or some army things.

So if you are going to trick or treat this year best of wishes and hope you get lots of candy and good things. So as it has always been said Happy Halloween!

### **Editors Notes**

- Don't Forget anyone can submit things to the Heat wave. Just see Mr. Harris with any questions on this
- If you need advice on something or a question you would like to see answered in our advice column put it in the advice box next to the office
- Find a grammatical error in the heat wave that we missed? Show Mr. Harris and if you are the first student to point out this error you will receive I heat buck!

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# Girls Basketball in Hamilton

By Jess Smith

The 7th and 8th grade girl's basketball team were in Hamilton on September 30th. The 7th graders were behind in the first quarter, and then they came back throughout the rest of the game. The final score was 16-32. The 7th Grade Heat team improved to 4-2

The 8th grader girls played hard throughout the game. They were ahead in the first quarter, but then Hamilton pulled away. The final score was 16-20. The Heat lost a heartbreaker but, they tried their best and that's all that matters.

#### 1st Football Game

By Mitchell Brent

The football game on October 2, 2014 was a success against the United Red Storm. The touchdowns were scored by Luke Ditsworth and Dawson Link. Dawson also scored the two point conversion in the 2nd quarter. Wesley Stewart's tackle in the third resulted in a lose of 4 yards for United. At the end of the game the score was 14-6. The heat came out winners in the opening game of their season. Wesley Stewart also stated that this season should be successful.

# Saturday Football

By Mitchel Brent

The WCMS football team has brought home another W. It was a cold football game in Onieda. It was so cold that it was snowing when the game started at 10:00 am. Dawson Link scored 3 touchdowns, and Luke Ditsworth had I touchdown. After the fourth quarter the score was 20 -20 and the heat took the game into overtime. In overtime The Heat scored a touchdown which made it 26-20 for the win. Dawson link made the winning score.

#### Girls BBALL

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By Nikki Bole and Jess Smith

The 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls had a home game on October 9th against Nauvoo. The 7<sup>th</sup> grade girls won their game. The final score was 32-11. Macy Benge was the leading scorer in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade, she made 9 points. From Nauvoo Jacguot on the 7<sup>th</sup> grade was the leading scorer with 4 points. The 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls lost there game by a score of 34-

The 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls lost there game by a score of 34-20. Corinne Booton, and Peyton Clark were the leading scorers for the Heat, they both made 6 points each. Good job girls! Knepe on Nauvoo's 8<sup>th</sup> grade put the Heat's flames out for the second time this year. She was the leading scorer with 16 points.

#### WCMS MILE RUN

We have completed the first I mile run in PE. The following are the top 5 fastest Fall mile times for girls and boys.

#### **Boys**

- I. Landen Beelman 7:10
- 2. Jackson Krieger 7:12
- 3. Damien Fues 7:15
- 4. Brandon Olson 7:19
- 5. Wesley Stewart 7:26

#### Girls

- I. Corinne Booton 6:45
- 2. Mady Reed 7:24
- 3. Sadie Lenz 7:26
- 4. Jessica Smith 7:32
- 5. Maya Erxleben 7:34





#### Football On The Other Side Of The River

Tuesday October 7th 2k14 The West Central Middle School went to West Burlington to play football. We started out with 2 quarters of a 7<sup>th</sup> grade game to get more playing time in for the 7<sup>th</sup> graders. They ended up losing 8-0. After that in the combined game we got beat by a staggering score of 38-0. We will forget about it and play like it never happened at our next game on Saturday.

By: Wesley Stewart {and Zach Wooddddy}

# ASK THE HEATWAVE: Advice from the middle of the middle school

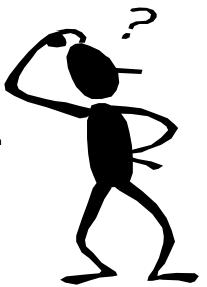
### Q: Dear Heat Wave, How do I make more friends?

A: It depends on the type of person they are and what they are into. So if I were looking for a way to make friends I would ask them questions like what's your favorite thing to do in your free time? And maybe try joining after school activities to see if that helps. If you are in any sports most likely your whole team will become friends. Maybe try to find kids your age and that have the same interest as you. If you need more help finding friends try to ask an adult.

Q: Dear Heat Wave, Why is school so hard?

### Q: Dear Heat Wave, How do I get a Girlfriend?

A: if you want to get a girl friend you need to be nice and funny. You also need to take a shower and not smell bad. Another thing that helps is, you need to stick up for her when she is getting bullied. And good girls don't like jerks. Then you ask her out. And you have a girlfriend.



A: "Why is school so hard?" school is can be hard, but with the right amount of effort anyone can get by. The first piece of advice I have is study, and pay attention in class. Take notes if you are having problems remembering facts from class. All you have to do is take School work step by step, and move on. If you got bad grades just ask for extra credit, or extra help from that teacher. Or you may be just choosing it to be hard on you. So Study up and do your best!

# **Just for the girls: Hats and Scarves**

By: Breanna Campbell, Camryn Fryrear and Peyton Jack

"A girl should be two things; classy and fabulous"- Coco Chanel. What do you think of when you think hats? How about scarves? We think about two of the most fashionable things there are. When we think of hats we think fedoras. When we think of scarves we think about knots and different ways to tie them.

For hats we think of fedoras. They are a major fashion do if you had the perfect outfit for them. How to put together the best fedora outfit: to pull off a casual look wear a plain or button down shirt skinny jeans and boots with your fedora in an angle. Here are some fedoras Do's and Don'ts: Don't make it match your entire outfit. Do: Wear it in an angle. Don't: Wear your fedora back words. Do: wear them in warmer weather.

Now for scarves we think of different fabrics and knots to put them in. There are so many ways to tie a scarf! There's the boho loop tie, the four and hand, and the bow tie. Here's a guide to tying scarves: First the boho loop tie: put the scarf against the front of your neck, pull the ends of your scarf to the front, tie the ends loosely and you've got it! Here's the four in hand: Fold the scarf in half then place it around your neck with a loop on one side, pull one of the ends through the loop, twist the loop, pull the other end of the scarf through the loop then adjust the scarf to lay flat on your chest. Lastly the bow tie: Put the scarf around the back of your neck with both sides hanging down in front evenly, tie a simple bow tie (like you'd tie your shoe), You can tie the bow close to your neck or keep it farther away, whichever you prefer and you've got it. Here's an infinity scarf hack: take a regular scarf and fold it in half safety pin the corners and wrap around your neck.

Overall the ultimate outfit can include a cute hat, scarf, and some cute shoes (read issue 2 about flats and heels) to make you look cute and stylish. If you read this article and you have a fedora and a scarf wear them on Friday for hat day. Next week is the men's edition and we're talking about what men



# Staff Spotlight

#### Teacher of the Month

By: Peyton Jack, and Trisha Forquer

This month's favorite teacher is Mrs. Lox. She got 40 votes! She started teaching 21 years ago at Union Elementary school with Mrs. Ingles as a Title 1 teacher, and then when Mrs. Avery the 5th and 6th grade teacher retired, she started teaching Social Studies and she's been teaching it ever since. She likes teaching social studies because she likes teaching about history and geography and taking kids to see the places she's taught them.

When she taught Title I, the state of Illinois made them have meetings with the student's parents. She suggested that they have a play for the 1st through 4th graders because the parents liked to come see their kids for Halloween and Christmas when they dressed up. The first play she directed was "The Frog Prince" and she's been directing the schools plays since. She stared the speech team when Union's principal Mr. Nester asked her to do a 6th speech rotation. She told him she knew nothing about speech and he said "You talk all the time!" So she started the speech team, which they hadn't had for a long time. This year there are 44 people on the speech team and the first contest is at Dallas City on November 7th

Here's a note from Mrs. Lox: There's 21 kids going on the Boston, Philadelphia, New York, Washington D.C. and New York trip and it's not too late to sign up!



# When ... was in Middle School

# MRS. ENSMINGER

We have interviewed Mrs. E about her middle school life. She was in middle school in 1978. According to her, she was popular in middle school. She had lots of friends, but her best friend was Amy Johnson. She is now principal at United. Her favorite memory was learning songs in her English class.

Events in 1978 were ...

Jimmy Carter was the President US teachers made summer holidays longer

World Series champions were NY Yankees

Super bowl XII champions were the Dallas Cowboys

NCAA champions were Kentucky

Some prices from 1978 were ...

Gas: \$.63 per gallon

Dozen of eggs: \$.48

1lb. of bacon: \$1.20

Monthly rent: \$260.00

New house: \$54,800

A first class stamp \$.13

A gallon of milk \$1.71

#### **McDonalds Prices**

A big mac \$.75

Quarter pounder \$.70

Fries \$.30



# The Ouya: Next Gen Portable Gaming

The Ouya first appeared on kick starter in July of 2012. It is a portable videogame console that is built on Android. Currently it costs \$99. The project was quickly funded; they had a goal of \$950,000. They overpassed their goal earning a staggering total of \$8.5 million dollars. The Ouya has a Tegra3 quad core processer. It also has support for 1080p quality. The controller is wireless and it also has a lot of other kewl stuff! The prototype was released on March 28, 2013. Now they just have to deliver developer kits and patch bugs. Then it will be good to release.

By: Wesley Stewart and Eric Rathbone This is given a 8/10 on the scale of catbox

"Ouya....start pushing buttons"

# MEET THE 6th GRADER: Matt Johnson

By Zach Wood



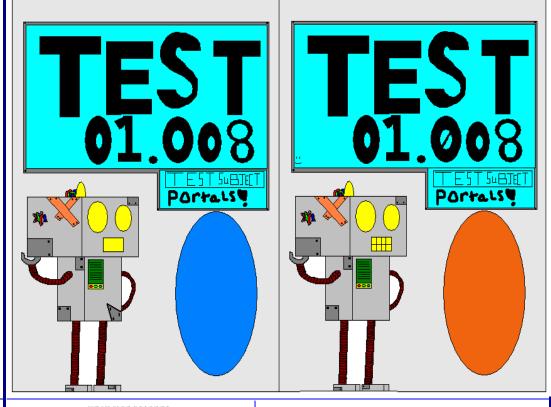
We interviewed Mathew Johnson. He is a 12 years old 6th grade student here at WCMS. He was born in Peoria, IL on September 13, 2002. Mathew's parents are Natalie and Tyler Blindt. He also has 5 siblings Molly, Emily, Lucas, Lilly, and Sophia.

Mathew's favorite subject in school is math. His least favorite subject is literature. When Mathew grows up he wants to be a brain surgeon.

Mathew is in Football, Basketball, Baseball and Student

## Entertainment

Spot The Difference: Can you find all 6 differences



# **HEAT HOROSCOPES**

Aries March 21- April 19
You will know the meaning of teamwork

Taurus April 20- May 20 You will change your mind

Gemini May 21-June 20 Your focus will be better than usual

Cancer June 21-July 22
Your feelings will be put aside for others

Leo July 23-August 22 You will get important things done

**Virgo August 23-September 22** Your not worried about your style

Libra September 23-October 23
You will be unfocused for school

Scorpio October 23-November 21 You will be drawn into intense emotional drama

Sagittarius November 22-December 21 You will stand up to your greatest rival

Capricorn December 22-January 19
You will be obsessive with something

Aquarius January 20-February 18 You will have a strange dream

Pisces February 19-March 20 You will be very defensive about your feelings

#### Have You Seen Maze Runner?

Have you seen the new movie the Maze Runner? Thomas (Dylan O'Brien) wakes up in "the glade." A sanctuary in the middle of a treacherous maze. The only thing any of the boys can remember is their name, but Thomas is special. He has brief

flashbacks of times before he was stuck in the maze. One night he breaks the biggest rule; he goes into the maze. You will never guess what happened.

This movie is given a 9/10 on the Delmar scale By: Wesley Stewart and Deeeeeeeeelmar Muphy "LOL cliff hanger put that one in your juice box and suck it" –Deeelmar muphy

